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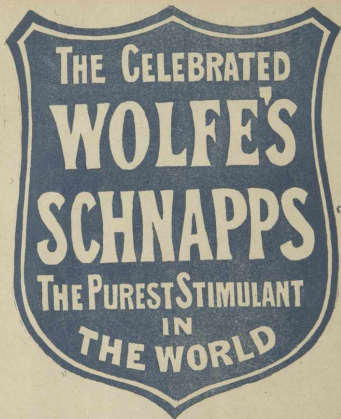
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CONCERNING THE GAME.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

By "Wideawake."

There is nothing wrong with a game when, after the vigorous and stubborn fights of the season, players shake hands and forget that there was a time when perhaps they were a little bit anxious to get topsides with others who had given them a rough passage in some match or other.

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One saw the players of the teams who closed the campaign with Saturday's matches give the farewell friendly grip of the hand, and in some cases heard, "So long, old boy. Meet you again next season."

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The bunch that faded from view for the year were:—Richmond, Fitzroy, Melbourne, St. Kilda, University and Collingwood.

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They all went down gamely, fighting to the end, leaving the deciding battles to

SOUTH MELBOURNE, CARLTON, ESSENDON, and GEELONG.

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To-day you have before you, ladies and gentlemen, the renowned performers, Carlton and Geelong, the old-time heroes and present-day stars. It is long since Geelong's team was up among the final competitors, and nothing more popular has occurred this season than the running into place of the lads from Corio. Hence one and all greet them and give them the heartiest of welcome. We all shout, "Hail, Geelong. Well met, merry men!"

None the less cordially do we roar to the brave blues of the old brigade, whose glories have been inscribed in song and story. "Bravo, Carlton! Right well have you acquitted yourselves and won your way to the esteem of the populace!"

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Next Saturday, ladies and gentlemen, we have to announce a complete change of programme, when the exclusive picture of the glorious game will be presented by the two old rivals, South Melbourne and Essendon. Then again will the players be cheered and stimulated by the welcoming roar of many thousands of voices. Aye, the welkin will tremble by the volume of sound.

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Now that the first round is over, let us have a look at the performances of the teams, and compare them with the places they occupied this time last year.

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Take South Melbourne as the leaders of the band this year, with 14 wins and 4 defeats; last season they won 13 matches, one was a drawn game, and they were defeated four times.

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Carlton, who are second fiddle in the orchestra at present with 14 wins 4 defeats—and a smaller percentage of points scored for and against—won twelve matches last year in the first round. They were beaten four times, and the other matches were a pair of draws.

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Essendon lost two matches last year, drew one, and won 15. Up to date this season they have been beaten six times. And there are very many people who say that Essendon may consider themselves lucky to have won their way into the second round. Anyhow, they have done so, and deserve credit for the achievement.

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Geelong is the team that has caught the public eye this year by the wonderful improvement in form. To run into fourth place was great. Last year they won only 8 matches out of 18, and one of the other ten ended in a draw. This year they have won eleven. It is many a year since the colours of the seashiders were seen up among the leaders.

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Collingwood is out in the cold. Ever since the League was formed Collingwood was in at the death as one of the four who fought out the second round. This year, for the first time, the magpies have been dislodged from the old roost.

Fitzroy holds exactly the same position as they occupied last season—fifth on the list. They won ten matches, and were beaten in eight—just the same number as last year, though I think, on the whole, they have played better football this season. They were dashing games, fast and clever all round.

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Melbourne finished in better position than last year, and the same may be said of St. Kilda. Richmond have dropped back, and University again are the whippers in. They have been a disappointing team.

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One of the best matches of the season was the last of the first round. The meeting of South Melbourne and Carlton produced magnificent football the previous week, and most people thought they would have to wait until the semi-finals before seeing another. Those who went to East Melbourne were pleasantly disappointed, for the fight between Fitzroy and Essendon was a beauty.

Fitzroy had challenged Essendon for fourth place, and it was literally a desperate fight for life. Defeat would kill Essendon's chances for the premiership, and victory would mean that Fitzroy would be entitled to take the field to battle for the bunting.

So they went at it hammer and tongs, swinging here, rushing there, battling everywhere with ardor and earnestness from the bounce to the end of the game, the huge crowd of spectators roaring with excitement and delight right through the match.

Fitzroy immediately began to force matters, and in short order they gained a goal and two behinds. Then Essendon got into their stride and played great football—an eyeopening display compared with their poor effort the previous week at St. Kilda. They were quick and solid in their work, and smart, dashing work forward gave them a lead of nine points at the first change of ends. However, in the second term the maroons made up lost ground in gallant style. They were in rare form, full of life and energy. Essendon gained only one point, and Fitz-

roy held the advantage by seven points at the adjournment.

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The 'Dons had the call of a hard-fought third quarter, and it was remarkable that whenever they got within scoring distance they nearly always improved their position. They led at the final change by eleven points, and then a grand finishing round was fought. Essendon found the 'Roy ruck a decidedly tough proposition, and sent in relief men frequently. Fitzroy dashed to the attack well, but the defence was solid. With seven minutes to go, they gained a goal, and this was answered with one by Essendon. Yet again Fitzroy charged forward, and within a minute of the close of operations another sixer went down to their credit. It was too late now for them to hope

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for a place in the second round, but they made a gallant, although unsuccessful, bid for victory. Essendon won by a goal, and more than satisfied their supporters by the marked change for the better on recent form.

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The free kicks in this match were:—Essendon, 12, 10, 7, 3; total, 32. Fitzroy, 8, 6, 7, 11; total, 32. On the whole, Nordern umpired well.

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Carlton did not settle down until the second quarter against University, who had all the best of the opening term. The second half was splendidly contested, fine work being shown by both sides. The concluding quarter was exciting, both going into their work with hearty goodwill, the students pushing the veterans close for victory, which rested with Carlton by the narrow margin of five points.

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Geelong were not seriously troubled at any stage of the game, and scored a complete and easy victory over Rich-

mond. The winners, however, did not play very attractive 'ball.

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Melbourne and St. Kilda gave an interesting display, but the former lasted better, and finished with fine force. They won comfortably. At times the play was somewhat willing.

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Collingwood and South Melbourne played a really interesting game. Individually, Collingwood were as good as their opponents, but as a combination—the great and telling factor nowadays—South Melbourne were the masters of the situation. Their systematic exchanges were pretty and effective, and they won out.

UMPIRES FOR TO-DAY'S MATCH.

First grand semi-final: Carlton v. Geelong, at M.C.G.—Field, Elder; boundary, Stanishy and Roy; goal, Buckley and Devine; steward, Appleton.

WHO WILL WIN?

THE PREMIERSHIP OF 1912.

Second Semi-Final, Next Saturday

14th September,

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Highest Number of Goals in a Season by Any One Player.

Dave McNamara (Essendon A.), 1912, 99 goals; Dave McNamara (Essendon A.), 1911, 81 goals. Next best performances are F. Caine (North Melbourne), 1910, 70; J. Hutchinson (Footscray), 1908, 68; J. Hutchinson (Richmond), 1907, 67; A. J. Thurgood (Essendon, League), 1901, 64; A. J. Thurgood (Essendon, League), 1900, 63; R. Lee (Collingwood), 1909, 58; R. Lee (Collingwood), 1910, 58; R. Lee (Collingwood), 1908, 54.

Highest Number of Goals in a Match by Any One Player.

D. McNamara (Essendon A.), in a match against Melbourne City this season, scored 18 goals. J. Hutchinson, playing for Footscray against North Melbourne, at North Melbourne, in June, 1908, got 16 goals in the match. Next best performances are:—D. McNamara, Essendon, against Preston, 1911, 14; F. Caine, North Melbourne against Preston, 1910, 12.

Largest Attendances.

League.—50,261, at final match between Carlton and Essendon, at M.C.G., 1908. £1776/2/- was taken at the gates.

Association.—41,000, at final game between Brunswick and Footscray, at M.C.G., 1908.

N.S.W.—Rugby Union rules, 52,000, New South Wales v. New Zealand, at Sydney Cricket Ground.

Scotland.—British Association, 127,307, at the Hampden Park, Glasgow, 23rd March, 1912, England v. Scotland; takings, £5198.

Highest Rugby Gate Receipts.—South Africa v. Wales, at Swansea, 1906, £2879. New Zealand v. Wales, at Cardiff, £2651.

Dimensions of League Grounds.

The dimensions of the League grounds are as under:—Melbourne, 186 yds. by 168 yds.; South Melbourne, 189 yds. by 154 yds.; Carlton, 190 yds. by 170 yds.; East Melbourne, 187 yds. by 147 yds.; Fitzroy, 170 yds. by 155 yds.; Richmond, 168 yds. by 148 yds.; Collingwood, 182 yds. by 156 yds.; St. Kilda, 186 yds. by 154 yds.; Geelong, 100 yds. by 151 yds.

Longest Kicks.

Place Kick.—Dave McNamara, 84 yards, at St. Kilda Ground, 3rd April, 1909; P. Ellin, 75 yards, St. Kilda Ground, April, 1900; H. Lever, 72 yards, St. Kilda Ground, 1909; C. Robbins, 69 yards 2 feet, Upper Reserve, Bendigo, 24th May, 1900.

Place Kick, Rugby.—74 yards, E. Doyle, August, 1903, Ireland. J. Angus, 71 yards, Sydney, April, 1892.

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Gardiner, Carl.	42	Barningham, Carl.	5
Kirby, Es.	39	Eicke, St. K.	5
Mortimer, S.M.	38	P. Heron, Fitz.	5
Martini, Geelong	38	Thorpe, Rich.	5
Keggin, Rich.	22	A. McDonald, Carl.	5
Parratt, Fitz.	22	Schofield, Geelong	4
Park, Uni.	22	Prendergast, Col.	4
W. Eason, Geelong	21	Abbott, Fitz.	4
Maguire, Rich.-Mel.	21	Slater, Geelong	4
Casey, S.M.	19	Flintoft, Melb.	4
Carpenter, S.M.	18	Ellingsen, Rich.	4
Cameron, Es.	18	Lowe, Col.	4
Willis, Uni.	18	Hanley, Es.	4
Cumming, Uni.	17	Maybury, Rich.	4
Walker, Es.	17	J. Jackson, Col.	4
Best, St. K.	16	Shaw, Fitz.	4
Franks, S.M.	16	Herbert, Rich.	4
Charge, S.M.	15	Kneen, Uni.	4
L. Armstrong, Es.	15	Woodcock, St. K.	4
Schmidt, St. K.	15	Dick, Carl.	4
Caine, Es.	14	Marchbank, Carl.	4
Moran, Carl.	14	Laxton, Col.	4
Heinz, Geelong	14	Trood, Uni.	4
Hughes, Col.	13	Topping, Carl.	8
A. Eason, Geelong	13	McCracken, Uni.	8
Wells, Carl.	12	Jory, St. K.	3
Martin, Es.	12	Wilson, Col.	3
Orchard, Geelong	12	C. Armstrong, G'tg	3
Valentine, Carl.	12	O'Shea, Es.	8
Martyn, St. K.	11	Belcher, Es.	3
Healey, Geelong	11	Kirkwood, Es.	3
Lane, Melb.	11	G. Deas, S.M.	3
Holmes, Fitz.	11	McLennan, Fitz.	3
Shea, Es.	11	Norris, Fitz.	3
Monk, Melb.	10	Belcher, S.M.	3
Martin, Geelong	10	Gray, Col.	3
Sloss, S.M.	10	Gray, Geelong	3
Ogden, Es.	10	Sykes, Melb.	3
Challis, Carl.	10	Jones, Rich.	3
Hall, Rich.	10	George, Melb.	3
Ryan, Col.	10	Watt, Geelong	3
Rowan, Col.	10	Lenne, Fitz.	3
Marshall, Geelong	10	Walker, Rich.	3
Little, Uni.	10	Baird, St. K.	3
Green, Carl.	9	Kyme, Es.	2
Bowen, Carl.	9	West, Uni.	2
Shelley, Uni.	9	Greenham, Uni.	2
Morrissey, St. K.	9	Burns, Rich.	2
Gilchrist, Col.	9	Jamieson, Carl.	2
Ricketts, S.M.	9	Oliver, Rich.	2
Thomas, St. K.	9	Strong, Melb.	2
Politz, Melb.	9	Clark, Carl.	2
Cockram, Col.	8	Triplett, Carl.	2
James, Rich.	8	Fitzpatrick, Melb.	2
Joolen, Melb.	8	Webber, Geelong	2
Russick, S.M.	8	Rush, Rich.	2
Cumberland, St. K.	8	Danks, Rich.	2
Wilkinson, Col.	8	Gibbs, Uni.	2
Baxter, St. K.	7	McLeod, Es.	2
Hutton, Fitz.	7	Campbell, Fitz.	2
Johnson, Fitz.	7	Cope, Melb.	2
Brake, Uni.	7	Ebbott, St. K.	2
Milne, S.M.	7	Sewart, Es.	2
Willoughby, Fitz.	7	Seaton, Col.	2
Allen, Melb.	7	Mullaly, S.M.	1
Grigg, Geelong	7	Gray, Uni.	1
Parkinson, Col.	6	H. Heron, Fitz.	1
Rowell, Col.	6	R. Deas, S.M.	1
Baring, Es.	6	Lever, St. K.	1
Tomkins, Melb.	6	Nebill, St. K.	1
Wells, Rich.	6	Bower, S.M.	1
Hickens, S.M.	5	Waskes, Uni.	1
Ambler, Col.	5	Harvey, Es.	1
Hendrie, Melb.	5	Haughton, Carl.	1

Laver, Fitz.	1	Lang, Uni.	1
Chalmers, Es.	1	P. Gibb, Col.	1
Clancy, Carl.	1	Doolan, St. K.	1
Mutch, Col.	1	Cochrane, Carlton	1
Sadler, Col.	1	McKenzie, Melb.	1
Scott, Fitz.	1	Caldwell, S.M.	1
Dangerfield, St. K.	1	Pierce, St. K.	1
Wells, Fitz.	1	Farrell, Rich.	1
Fairbairn, Geelong	1	Wilson, Carl.	1
Graham, Uni.	1	Hurrey, Uni.	1
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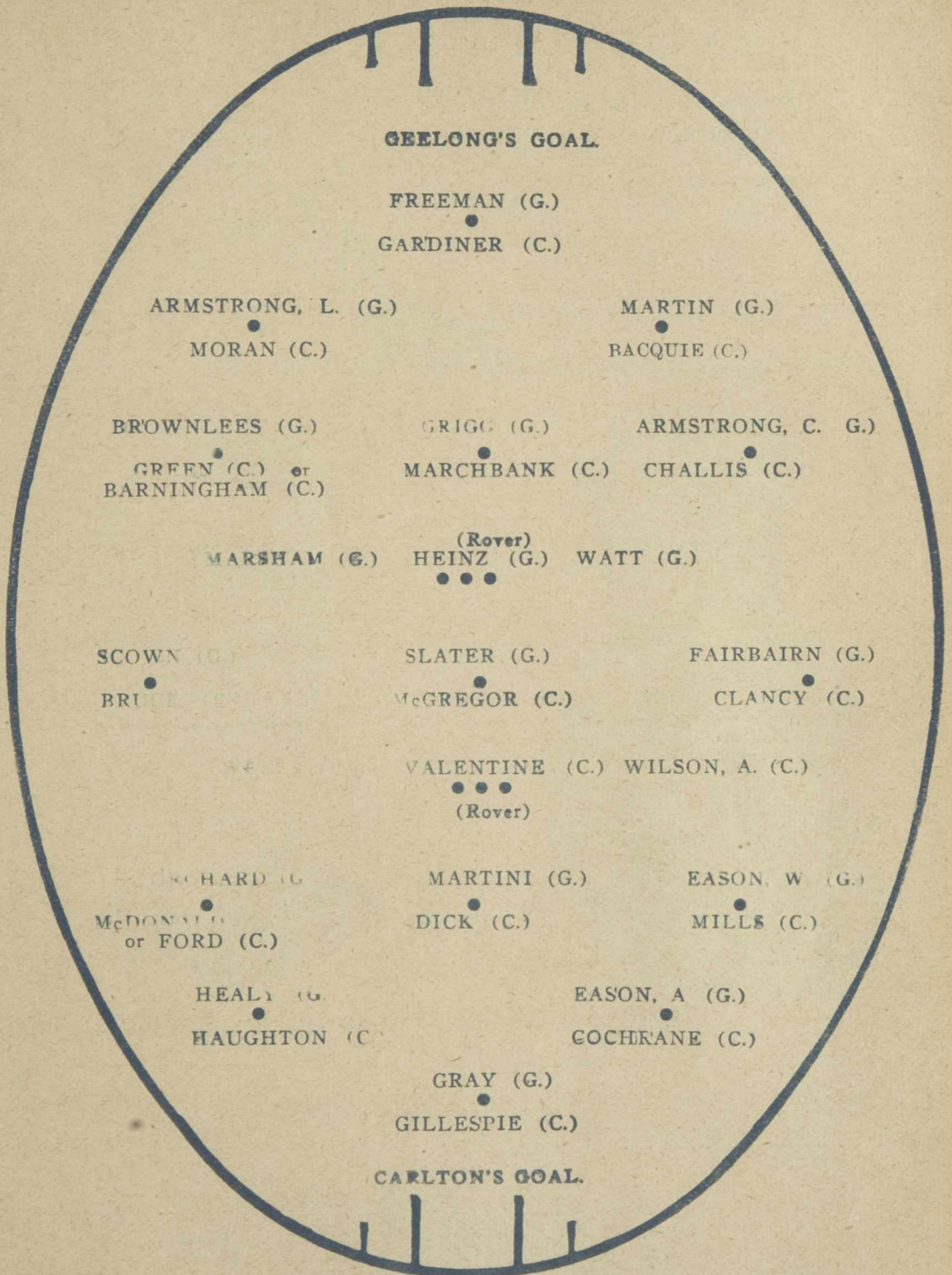


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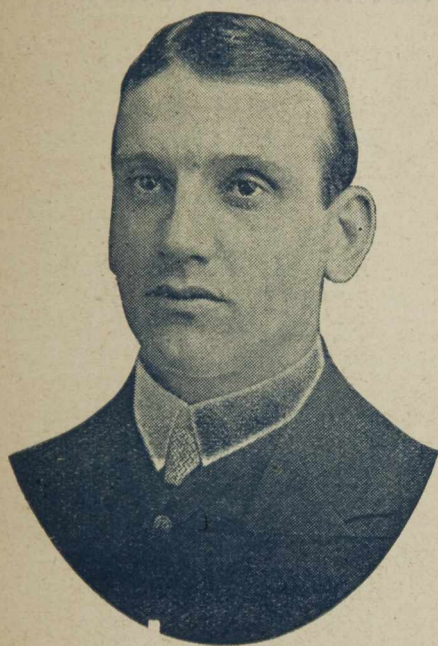


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4.	CLANCY, T., 5.9 ..	10.2
5.	McDONALD, A., 5.5 ..	10.5
6.	VALENTINE, V., 5.6 ..	12.0
7.	MORAN, R., 5.7½ ..	11.6
8.	WELLS, J., 5.9½ ..	14.0
9.	GREEN, G., 5.7½ ..	10.6
10.	JAMIESON, E., 5.10 ..	11.3
11.	McGREGOR, R., 5.10 ..	11.10
12.	CHALLIS, G., 5.9½ ..	12.5
13.	GARDINER, V., 5.5¾ ..	10.8
14.	McDONALD, F., 5.9 ..	11.0
15.	MARCHBANK, J., 6.2 ..	13.9
18.	DICK, W., 5.10½ ..	12.9
19.	BRUCE, G., 5.8½ ..	11.8
20.	TRIPLETT, F., 5.7 ..	10.8
23.	WILSON, A., 6.0 ..	13.0
24.	MILLS, P., 5.8½ ..	12.1
25.	BACQUIE, J., 5.8 ..	11.4
26.	HAUGHTON, H., 5.11½ ..	13.4
27.	COCHRAN, E., 6.0½ ..	12.9
28.	FORD, A., 5.11 ..	12.7
29.	JOHNSON, W., 5.9½ ..	12.6
30.	GILLESPIE, D., 5.9½ ..	13.0

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No.	Name and Height.	Weight.
1.	EASON, W., 5.10 ..	12.6
2.	ORCHARD, W., 5.11 ..	11.12
3.	ARMSTRONG, L., 5.11 ..	11.5
4.	ARMSTRONG, C., 6.1 ..	12.8
5.	BROWNLEES, R., 5.10 ..	11.5
6.	EASON, A., 5.9½ ..	12.4
7.	FAIRBAIRN, L., 5.9½ ..	11.5
8.	FREEMAN, N., 6.0 ..	12.3
9.	GRAY, J., 5.9 ..	12.4
10.	GRIGG, R., 5.11 ..	12.12
11.	HEALEY, L., 5.7 ..	11.2
12.	MARTINI, P., 6.0 ..	13.5
13.	HEINZ, G., 5.8 ..	11.7
14.	MARSHAM, H., 6.1 ..	14.1
15.	MARTIN, L., 5.10½ ..	11.8
16.	PENDER, J., 5.11½ ..	11.8
17.	SLATER, J., 5.10½ ..	13.7
18.	SCOWN, P., 5.10 ..	10.8
19.	WATT, J., 5.11 ..	12.8
20.	DALTON, A., 5.11 ..	11.5
21.	WEBBER, A., 5.11 ..	12.6
22.	McLEAN, F., 5.8 ..	10.6
23.	NANKERVIS, J., 5.9 ..	10.7

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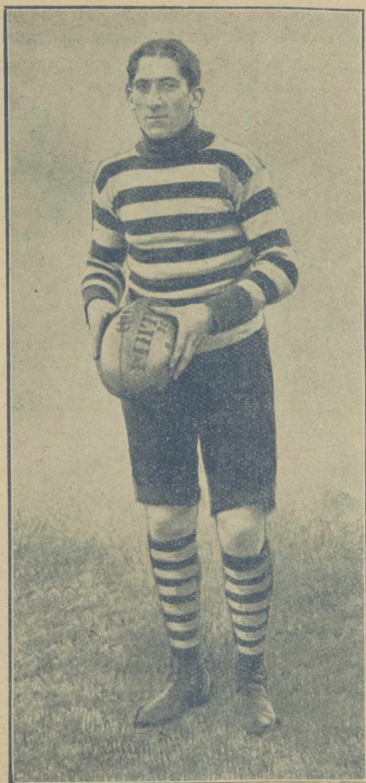
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Alderman Crichton, Essendon's president, administered refreshment at three-quarter time to some of the Essendon players. He went out with a thermos flask containing something warm and stimulating for the men.

"Tich" Bailes was in the reserve at East Melbourne on Saturday, looking at his old team fighting for a place in the finals. He was like a little war-horse, anxious to be out in the battle.

Frank Caine's grey hair has led to inquiry as to his age. He told me on Saturday that he was 28 last July.

When in Essendon's dressing room on Saturday, I was puzzled on seeing a model of a coffin about 6 inches in length tacked on the notice board. It seems that some disgusted barracker, who probably is an undertaker's man, sent it to Allan Belcher wrapped in a telegraph form, on which was written: "Don't you think the boys would be better off in a coffin after St. Kilda?—A Hardened Supporter." The gloomy bloke ought in fairness to send along a model monument to commemorate the fine game the boys played on Saturday, or else make a wooden overcoat and bury himself in it.

The only man in Fitzroy's team who is not paid as a player is Lal McLennan. Yet to see him playing on Saturday one would have thought he was the highest paid artist on the ground. He did two men's work, and ran himself to a standstill. Nobody was more brilliant, al-

though Cameron, the Essendon rover, may be bracketed with him as a sharer of the honours. Both men concentrate their attention on the ball, and consequently do better than those who are always looking for an opponent.

In the first quarter of the Fitzroy-Essendon match positively brilliant was the high marking of Campbell, who was rewarded by ringing cheers from barrackers of both teams.

The superiority of McLennan over Sewart in the first half led to a change in the third quarter. Sewart was transferred to the wing against L. Heron, and Cameron was deputed to watch the centre man.

A leading player in one of the big teams was severe in his criticism of the side a day or two ago. Said he: "A few of us have been carrying the rest of the gang on our backs this season." It is not good for a team if some of them hold that opinion.

Blencowe, another snowy-haired youth, was given a game with Essendon on Saturday. It was a severe test for the lad, who has a lot to learn before he can shine in such classy football.

Belcher played a fine, strong game against Fitzroy, and led his men with splendid generalship.

Old Bill Walker, of Fitzroy, was in his element at East Melbourne. He

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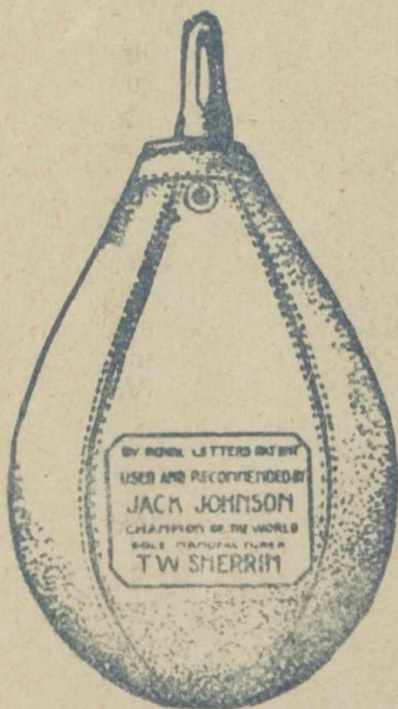
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played a wonderfully fine game in the ruck. Walker, the Essendonian, was also superb. He is Essendon's most improved player this season.

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While he did not kick a goal, Frank Caine materially assisted in sixers being gained by his side owing to his effective and clever shepherding. In the last quarter Caine was against Freake.

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Bill Griffith gave place to Martin between goals on Saturday.

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Chalmers, the Essendon wing man, and Bamford, of Fitzroy, were an interesting couple to watch. The Essendonian scored the points on the day against Bamford and two others.

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White, of Essendon, took some great marks, and played a fine game at East Melbourne, although he gave away three or four free kicks by his fault of holding opponents.

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Johnson, of Fitzroy, and Holmes again showed their skill in marking against Essendon. Strownix, Hutton, and Parratt deserve mention for their play on the ball.

Pat Shea is still able to beat opponents by his quick turning and his skilful dodging. He was great against Fitzroy, as also were Belcher and Kirkwood.

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The goal-scoring order at East Melbourne:—Willoughby, Shea, Cameron, Holmes, Parratt, Sewart, Armstrong, Freake, Walker (Essendon), Walker (Essendon), Parratt, Walker (Essendon), P. Heron.

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Brereton and Freake, the goal-kickers, did not succeed in materially increasing their lead on Saturday. Each scored one. Brereton has therefore 54 and Freake 53. It is not likely that anybody else will get near these figures.

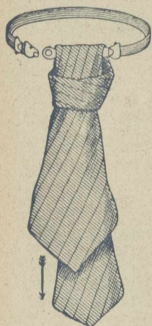
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Ogden will be enabled to resume his place in Essendon's team in the semi-final match, and, with O'Shea fit and well, the 'Dons position should be materially strengthened forward and on the wing.

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Martini reappeared with Geelong after an absence of four weeks, and scored four goals against Richmond.

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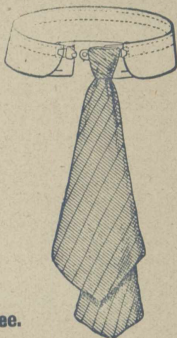
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Hughie James made his reappearance with Richmond against Geelong, and played a rattling game. The big fellow was in rare form.

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Another fine exhibition of roving was given for Geelong on Saturday by Heinz, but Joe Slater was not in his usual good condition by a long way.

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Geelong played a rather wild and scrambling game up forward, and their shooting was faulty. Grigg and Brownlees banged the ball against the goal-post in quick succession.

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Ellingsen, the Geelong boy who went to Richmond, played against the team of the Pivot on Saturday. A good deal of interest was displayed by the local people in the lad, whose play was fair, but nothing to write home about.

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Alex Eason and Dick Grigg were two of the Geelong stars against Richmond, and Gray showed fine football ability.

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Once again it has to be recorded that Tomkins, the Melbourne rover, was their most brilliant performer against St. Kilda. George and Hendrie were a hard-working pair. Little McKenzie was as cute as usual on the wing, and Hughie Purse and Naismith, as defenders of the red legs' flag, were great.

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When two heavy men collide what is to be expected? Joe Pearce is able to give a reliable answer. He and Cumberland crashed together, and Pearce went down and out for a while.

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Schmidt was as active as a hare, and got his goals well for St. Kilda on Saturday.

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St. Kilda's most effective pair against Melbourne were Cumberland and Woodcock. They worked splendidly.

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I don't think McGregor, the Carlton centre man, was ever seen to better advantage than this season. His long experience and fine judgment proved of great service to his side against 'Var-

sity. His performance was full of merit.

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Little Vin. Gardiner was as nimble as a chamois on a mountain side on Saturday. He battled bravely and bagged four of the very best.

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Billy Dick is now in the best of form. His work against University was simply magnificent.

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Eric Woods' kicking in against Carlton was one of the features of a fine game put up by the students. The crowd cheered several of his long distance drives.

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Dr. Greenham was about the best man in the University colours, and in the ruck he put in especially effective play.

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The splendid manner in which Mr. Charles Brownlow, the club's secretary, managed the affairs of the Geelong team's trip to Sydney was not allowed to pass unappreciated by the players. On Saturday they presented Mr. Brownlow with a handsome silver epergne for Mrs. Brownlow. "The best reward you could give me," said the genial secretary, "is to bring the premiership to Geelong."

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The honours of the day in the Collingwood-South Melbourne match were carried off by the Collingwood captain, Jim McHale, who throughout his long career has been a fair, manly player—one of those who might with advantage be taken as a pattern by young players.

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Little Joe Prince showed his pace at Collingwood, and Boxer Milne again played a remarkably fine game. Ruskick, Sloss, Casey and Belcher also deserve special mention for their great work.

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Of the Collingwood players this season the most improved was Jim Jackson, the wing man. All going well next season he should shine as a star.

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Great defensive work by Green, Shorten and Mutch saved the situation for Collingwood time and again.

Geelong are coming to the metropolis to-day brimful of confidence. Orchard takes McLean's place in the team which beat Richmond.

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Carlton will not definitely pick their team until this afternoon. Bacquie may be playing in this game. He has been captain of the Seymour club this year.

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Mr. W. Strickland, vice-president of the League, on Saturday congratulated South Melbourne on the position they have won so far. He presented them with photographs of the South Melbourne players who took part in the Interstate match at Adelaide. These are to be displayed on the walls of the club's gymnasium.

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South Melbourne received a bump on Wednesday night, when the investigation committee of the League handed out disqualification from playing in four

matches to A. Hiskens, having held as sustained the charge laid by Fred. Fontaine, the steward who complained that Hiskens struck Ted Rowell in the Collingwood match. Hiskens has been showing great form lately, and his absence must be felt by South in the coming big struggle.

POSITIONS OF CLUBS.

LEAGUE.

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Pts. Scored	Goals for	Hds. for	Goals agst	Hds. agst
S. Melb.	14	4	—	56	157	217	96	163
Carlton	14	4	—	56	150	245	116	177
Essendon	12	6	—	48	165	215	142	196
Geelong	11	7	—	44	156	218	116	209
Fitzroy	10	8	—	40	137	194	131	150
Melbourne	9	9	—	36	138	157	132	204
Col'wood	9	9	—	36	115	222	135	185
St. Kilda	7	11	—	28	148	206	145	220
Richmond	3	15	—	12	114	173	184	229
University	1	17	—	4	109	158	192	272

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APRIL 27.

Richmond 7.11 v. St. Kilda 6.10.
Carlton 9.16 v. Geelong 4.7.
Essendon 17.14 v. University 6.6.
South Melbourne 7.5 v. Fitzroy 4.10.
Melbourne 9.14 v. Collingwood 5.9.

MAY 4.

Essendon 10.10 v. Collingwood 6.17.
Carlton 9.10 v. Fitzroy 5.11.
Richmond 5.8 v. South Melbourne 2.23.
Melbourne 10.8 v. University 8.12.
Geelong 13.15 v. St. Kilda 6.11.

MAY 11.

University 9.9 v. Richmond 6.12.
Essendon 8.11 v. Carlton 6.14.
St. Kilda 12.21 v. Collingwood 4.12.
South Melbourne 6.18 v. Melbourne 3.4.
Fitzroy 7.14 v. Geelong 5.6.

MAY 18.

Essendon 9.8 v. South Melbourne 8.8.
Fitzroy 13.8 v. Richmond 9.6.
St. Kilda 7.14 v. University 8.13.
Geelong 11.12 v. Melbourne 5.5.
Collingwood 6.10 v. Carlton 6.9.

MAY 25.

Collingwood 10.12 v. Richmond 6.4.
Melbourne 8.2 v. Carlton 5.14.
Geelong 7.10 v. Essendon 7.7.
South Melbourne 7.8 v. St. Kilda 5.5.
Fitzroy 8.11 v. University 4.8.

JUNE 1.

Carlton 12.15 v. St. Kilda 6.11.
Essendon 13.14 v. Richmond 10.10.
South Melbourne 9.16 v. University 5.8.
Fitzroy 11.12 v. Melbourne 10.6.
Geelong 13.13 v. Collingwood 2.15.

JUNE 8.

South Melbourne 13.15 v. Geelong 8.13.
Collingwood 10.13 v. University 4.12.
Essendon 16.12 v. Melbourne 8.6.
Carlton 17.17 v. Richmond 8.8.
Fitzroy 8.7 v. St. Kilda 6.10.

JUNE 8.

Melbourne 14.14 v. Richmond 4.9.
St. Kilda 10.6 v. Essendon 6.19.
Collingwood 13.10 v. Fitzroy 11.7.
Carlton 8.16 v. South Melbourne 6.10.
Geelong 8.15 v. University 3.8.

JUNE 15.

Geelong 7.12 v. Richmond 4.16.
South Melbourne 4.16 v. Collingwood 4.8.
Melbourne 7.13 v. St. Kilda 2.12.
Carlton 10.17 v. University 8.10.
Essendon 8.8 v. Fitzroy 3.7.

JUNE 22.

St. Kilda 12.14 v. Richmond 6.6.
Geelong 12.7 v. Carlton 8.12.
Essendon 16.24 v. University 7.10.

South Melbourne 9.12 v. Fitzroy 3.10.
Collingwood 6.17 v. Melbourne 6.9.

JUNE 29.

South Melbourne 19.12 v. Richmond 5.7.
St. Kilda 12.11 v. Geelong 9.14.
Carlton 6.8 v. Fitzroy 4.15.
Essendon 6.18 v. Collingwood 6.10.
Melbourne 13.14 v. University 5.7.

JULY 6.

Victoria 14.13 v. South Australia 10.10.

JULY 13.

Richmond 11.19 v. University 4.4.
Carlton 10.16 v. Essendon 4.9.
Collingwood 8.15 v. St. Kilda 6.4.
South Melbourne 13.8 v. Melbourne 0.8.
Geelong 10.13 v. Fitzroy 5.10.

JULY 20.

South Melb. 9.10 v. Essendon 7.10.
Fitzroy 10.10 v. Richmond 3.11.
St. Kilda 15.12 v. University 6.14.
Melbourne 7.12 v. Geelong 5.13.
Carlton 8.7 v. Collingwood 3.14.

JULY 27.

Collingwood 10.15 v. Richmond 6.4.
Carlton 4.18 v. Melbourne 5.7.
Geelong 13.14 v. Essendon 5.10.
South Melbourne 14.7 v. St. Kilda 7.18.
Fitzroy 12.14 v. University 7.8.

AUGUST 3.

Carlton 7.12 v. St. Kilda 6.15.
Essendon 10.12 v. Richmond 5.13.
Stn. Melbourne 12.13 v. University 7.5.
Fitzroy 6.7 v. Melbourne 6.6.
Collingwood 7.15 v. Geelong 6.8.

AUGUST 10.

South Australia 9.8 v. Victoria 6.7.

AUGUST 17.

South Melb. 6.15 v. Geelong 4.8.
Collingwood 6.20 v. University 6.7.
Carlton 8.20 v. Richmond 8.11.
Essendon 9.8 v. Melbourne 7.8.
Fitzroy 12.17 v. St. Kilda 8.7.

AUGUST 24.

Melbourne 11.7 v. Richmond 3.9.
St. Kilda 15.18 v. Essendon 7.8.
Fitzroy 9.11 v. Collingwood 4.3.
Carlton 7.10 v. South Melbourne 6.10.
Geelong 12.22 v. University 7.8.

AUGUST 31.

Geelong 9.16 v. Richmond 3.9.
South Melbourne 7.11 v. Collingwood 5.7.
Melbourne 9.14 v. St. Kilda 7.7.
Carlton 10.14 v. University 10.9.
Essendon 7.13 v. Fitzroy 6.13.

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